

REMARKS

As requested in the accompanying Request for Change of Correspondence Address, applicant requests that future correspondence regarding this application be directed as follows:

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In response to the Office Action dated February 8, 2005, Applicants elect the claims of invention I, namely claims 1, 5, 6, 15, 16, and 19-20 without traverse. Claims 7, 13, 21, 27, and 29-30 have been canceled without prejudice.

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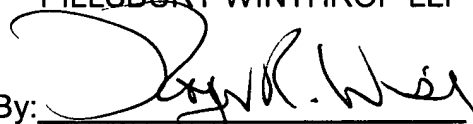
Applicants believe that the foregoing amendments place the application in condition for allowance, and a favorable action is respectfully requested. If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles telephone number (213) 488-7100 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance should the Examiner believe that such a telephone conference would advance prosecution of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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